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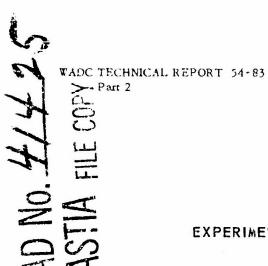
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#### ABSTRACT

The effect of 1% additions of Ba, Cb, Cr, Hg, Li, MM, Mo, Pd, Se, Ta, Te, Th, Ti, Tl, V, and W on the mechanical properties, workability, formability, corrosion resistance, and microstructure of Mg-3Zn and Mg-5Al was investigated. Th greatly improves the strength of Mg-3Zn in both extrusions and rolled strip without an appreciable loss of toughness (NBE) as illustrated below:

| Extrusion-T5              | Rolled Strip-H24 |  |  |  |  |
|---------------------------|------------------|--|--|--|--|
| 1000 psi                  | 1000 psi         |  |  |  |  |
| Alloy %E TYS CYS TS NBE   | SE TYS CYS TS    |  |  |  |  |
| Mg-3Zn 17 22 12 35 25     | 13 24 18 33      |  |  |  |  |
| Mg-32n-1Th 14 31 20 40 23 | 16 32 24 39      |  |  |  |  |

Smaller strength increases are obtained by the addition of Li, Ba, and Pd to both base alloys and with Hg and Cr in Mg-3Zn. Sizeable strength increases, through the addition of Th, Li, Pd. or Ba, are achieved only with an appreciable loss in workability, toughness, formability, and/or corrosion resistance. The other additions, Cb, MM, Mo, Se, Ta, Te, T1, T1, V, and W, have negligible effects.

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#### INTRODUCTION:

The purpose of this study was to investigate the effect of small additions of elements not adequately covered in previous work.

The elements selected for further study are MM, Hg, Tl, Pd. Li, Th, Cr, Cb, Mc, Se, Te, Ba, Ti, V, and W. Since Zn and Al are two of the most important strengthening elements when alloyed with magnesium, Mg-3Zn and Mg-5Al were selected as the base alloys. Single additions of 1% of the third element were considered sufficient. The beneficial additions discovered in this work were also studied in part one of this contract.

#### SUMMARY OF EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS

#### A) Alloying (Table 1)

- 1.) The solubility of Cb, Cr, Mc, Se, Ta, Ti, Te, V, and W in both base alloys and Th in Mg-5Al is very small.
- 2.) The other additions-Ba, Hg, Li, MM, Pd, Th(in Mg-3Zn) and Th-are quite soluble.

#### B) Microstructure (Table 2)

- 1.) The cast grain size is apparently decreased by Hg, Pd, Li, Se, V, W, and Ta in Mg- $3\bar{z}n$  and appreciably increased by all additions to Mg-5Al except Pd and Ta.
- 2.) The and Ba appreciably decrease the grain size of Mg-3Zn extrusions.
- 3.) Compound rating is increased by Pd and Ba in both alloys, Th in Mg-3Zn, and MM and Li in Mg-5Al.

# C) Workstility (Table 3)

- 1.) Workability of all alloys is good.
- 2.) The hot rolling range is narrowed by the addition of Pa, Th, and Ba in Mg-3Zn and Li and Ba in Mg-5Al.

# D) Mechanical Properties (Table 5)

- 1.) Strength (particularly CYS) is significantly increased by the addition of Th, Ba, Pd, Li, Hg, and Cr to Mg-3Zn and Ba, Li, and Pd to Mg-5Al(Table 5).
- 2.) The addition of Th to Mg-3Zn results in, by far, the greatest improvement in mechanical properties. Typical properties of extrusions and rolled strip are presented below:

|                 |    | Extrusion-T5 |       |    |     |           | led S | trip- | H24 |
|-----------------|----|--------------|-------|----|-----|-----------|-------|-------|-----|
|                 |    | 100          | C PSI |    |     |           | 1000  | PSI   |     |
| Alloy           | %E | TYS          | CYS   | TS | NBE | <u>%E</u> | TYS   | CYS   | TS  |
| Mg-3 <b>Z</b> n | 17 | 22           | 12    | 35 | 25  | 13        | 5/1   | 18    | 33  |
| Mg-3Zn-1Th      | 14 | 31           | 20    | 40 | 23  | 16        | 32    | 24    | 39  |

3.) The ageability of Mg-3Zn is decreased by Th, Pd, and Ba, and increased by Li. The Mg-5Al alloys have poor ageability.

#### E) Formability (Table 3)

The minimum bend radius is increased by Pd, Li, and Ba in both base alloys and by Th in Mg-3Zn.

#### F) Corrosion (Table 4)

- 1.) The corresion rate of Mg-3Zn extrusions is increased by Ba, Th, and Pd (in order of increasing effect).
- 2.) All of the Mg-5Al base alloys (unsettled) have poor corrosion resistance.

#### CONCLUSIONS

The addition of Th offers a large improvement in the mechanical properties of Mg-3Zn sheet and extrusions. Smaller, but significant strength increases can be obtained in both base alloys by the addition of Bs, Pd, and Li. These improvements in mechanical properties are accompanied by appreciable loss of toughness, workability, formability and/or corrosion resistance.

#### EXPERIMENTAL WORK

Laboratory-size melts of the desired composition were made with cell Mg and cast into extrusion ingots. Melt samples were taken for chemical analyses, which appear in Table 1. Fracture slices, about 1/4" thick, were taken from the extrusion ingots, fractured, and evaluated for cleanliness according to the standard reproduced in Fig 1. Metallographic samples were also taken

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from the slices to determine the cast microstructure of the alleys.

The extrusion ingots were scalped, cut to the desired length, preheated, loaded into the extrusion press, and forward extruded into strip under various conditions to evaluate the extrusion characteristics of the alloys. Strips for rolling were also prepared by extrusion and were cut to convenient lengths. The hot and cold rollability of the alloys were determined and used as a guide in rolling the extruded strips for property evaluation.

Samples were taken from the extruded and rolled strips and tested for tensile and compressive strength, toughness, formability, and corrosion resistance. Tension and compression tests were run in the conventional manner, while the 60°V notch bend test was used to determine the relative toughness of the alloys. Formability was determined by finding the minimum 90° bend that could be made with rolled strip in the soft temper. The relative corrosion resistance of the alloys was determined by alternate immersion of samples in 3%NaCl at 95F.

#### DISCUSSION

#### A) Alloying

The analyses (Table 1) of the alloys indicate that many of the additions—Cb, Mo, Se, Te, W, V, and Ta—are inscluble in magnesium. Ti is slightly soluble (0.01%) in Mg-3Zn, but negligibly soluble in Mg-5Al. Although Cr could not be detected chemically (0.0%), its presence was detected spectrographically in both alloys. The other additions—MM, Hg, Tl, Pd, Li, Th, and Ba were quite soluble in magnesium. The Al was inadvertently omitted from the Mg-5Al-1Th alloy (nc. 71598), leaving a Mg-1Th binary. A second melt (alloy no. 72094) was later made. Nil Th was present in this alloy due to its incompatibility with Al.

#### B) Microstructure

The grain size, compound rating, and cleanliness of the alloys are given in Table 2. Several additions -- Hg, Pd, Li, Si V, W, and Ta-apparently decrease the cast grain size of Mg-3Zn, but none of the additions refine the fine-grained Mg-5Al base. fact all the additions except Pd and Ta increased the cast grain size of Mg-5Al. Much less variation in grain size is encountered in the extruded microstructure. Th and Ba appreciably decreased the grain size of Mg-3Zn extrusions. Several other additions resulted in smaller changes which may not be significant. A significant increase in compound rating was given by Pd and Ba in both base alloys, by Th in Mg-3Zn, and by MM and Li in Mg-5Al. A solution heat treatment, sufficient to substantially homogenize the base alloys, resulted in a small, if any, decrease in the compound rating of the above alloys. Photomicrographs of the microstructure of the alloys which are substantially different from the bases are given in Figs 2, 3(cast), 4, and 5(extruded). The quality of the ingots, rated for cleanliness, was generally good, The Li and Te alloys, however, contained considerable flux inclusions.

#### C) Workability

All of the alloys have excellent workability. They can be extruded at least 30 feet per minute, hot rolled over a range of 450F or more, and cold rolled in the soft temper a reduction of 50% before cracking. The width of hot rolling range is slightly reduced by Pd, Th, and Ba in Mg-3Zn and Li and Ba in Mg-5Al.

#### D) Mechanical Properties

The mechanical properties of the alloys extruded and rolled under a variety of conditions were determined. Analysis of the data indicated that the effects of the additions were quite consistent and varied only slightly with fabrication conditions. In order to minimize random variations due to error, the properties were averaged (Table 5), and the overall effects of the additions were calculated. However, typical

properties of the base alloys containing the beneficial additions are given for extrusions (Table 6) and rolled strip (Table 7).

The results clearly indicate that the addition of Th to Mg-3Zn results in the largest improvement in properties. Other additions which increase the CYS of Mg-3Zn by 1,000 rsi or more are Ba, Pd, Li, Hg, and Cr(in order of decreasing effect). Only small improvements in the properties of Mg-5Al were obtained. Ba, Li, and Pd raise the CYS an average of 1,000 to 2,000 psi. The other additions have insignificant effects on the properties of the base alloys. These additions, Th, Ba, Li, Pd, Hg, and Cr, which yielded strength increases in either or both of the base alloys, were also studied in part one of this contract. The benefit of Th in both extrusions (Table 6) and rolled strip (Table 7) is illustrated below:

|            |          | Extrusion-T5 |     |    |     |          | Rolled Strip-H24 |     |    |  |  |  |
|------------|----------|--------------|-----|----|-----|----------|------------------|-----|----|--|--|--|
|            | 1000 psi |              |     |    |     | 1000 psi |                  |     |    |  |  |  |
| Alloy      | %E       | TYS          | CYS | TS | NBE | %F.      | TYS              | CYS | TS |  |  |  |
| Mg-3Zn     | 17       | 22           | 12  | 35 | 25  | 13       | 24               | 18  | 33 |  |  |  |
| Mg-3Zn-1Th | 14       | 31           | 20  | 40 | 23  | 16       | 32               | 24  | 39 |  |  |  |

It is notable that these improvements can be obtained without appreciable loss of toughness (NBE). Slightly larger strength increases are yielded by Th in the as-extruded and annealed conditions. The benefit of Li in Mg-3Zn extrusions is also notable because strength (particularly CYS) is increased with no loss in toughness. Additions of Ba or Pd give similar improvement but decrease toughness. Hg and Cr are not deleterious to toughness of Mg-3Zn extrusions but give only small strength increases. In Mg-3Zn sheet Ba, Pd, Li, Hg, and Cr are equivalent in the H2H temper but Ba and Pd have higher strength in the soft (0) temper. Ba, Li, and Pd give only minor strength increases and also lower the toughness of Mg-5Al sheet. The ageability of Mg-3Zn is increased by Li and decreased by Th, Pd, and Ba. Ageability of all the Mg-5Al alloys is poor.

#### E) Formability

The minimum bend radius of rolled strips in the soft temper is given in Table 3. Formability is decreased by Pd, Li, and Ba in both base alloys and by Th in Mg-3Zn. The other additions have little or no effect.

#### F) Corrosion

The corrosion rate of Mg-3Zn is increased from 0.4 mcd to 0.6 mcd by Ba, to 5.2 mcd by Th, and to 100-200 mcd by Pd. All of the Mg-5Al alloys had high corrosion rates, and it is difficult to determine the effect of the additions. The Mg-5Al alloys containing MM and Cr have the lowest corrosion rates. The high corrosion rates of the Mg-5Al alloys are probably due to the fact that the alloys were not settled to reduce the Fe content (average of 25 ppm). It is interesting to note that the Mg-3Zn base alloys were not affected by an equivalent iron content (average of 27 ppm).

Table I

# CHEMICAL ANALYSES

# A) Mg-3Zn Alloys

| Alloy No.<br>71561 | % Zn<br>3.03 | % Other<br>1.16MM  |
|--------------------|--------------|--------------------|
| 71562              | 2.97         | 1.03 Hg            |
|                    |              |                    |
| 71563              | 2.95         | 1.15 Tl            |
| 71564              | 2.75         | 1.12 Pd            |
| 71565              | 3.01         | 0.87 Li            |
| 71566              | 2.97         | 1.05 Th            |
| 71567              | 2.96         | <u> </u>           |
| 71568              | 2.87         | O.O Cr (Presence*) |
| 71569              | 3.02         | Nil Cb*            |
| 71570              | 3.07         | N11 Mo*            |
| 71571              | 2.94         | Nil Se             |
| 71572              | 2.92         | Nil Te*            |
| 71573              | 3.04         | 0.69 Ba            |
| 71574              | 3.03         | 0.01 Ti            |
| 71.575             | 3.00         | Nil V*             |
| 71576              | 2.99         | Nil W#             |
| 71577              | - 2.96       | Nil Ta*            |
| 71 655             | 2.95         | O.O Cr(Presence*)  |
|                    |              |                    |

<sup>\*</sup> Spectrographic analysis; otherwise chemical

# Table I (cont.)

# B) Mg-5Al Alloys

| Alloy No.        | % A1               | % Other            |
|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 71587            | 4.95               | ~~~~               |
| 71588            | 4.62               | 1.20 MM            |
| 71589            | 4.86               | 1.27 Hg            |
| 71590            | 4.98               | 0.71 Li            |
| 71591            | 4.97               | Nil Se             |
| <b>7</b> 1592    | 5.00               | Nil Te*            |
| 71593            | 4.84               | 0.92 Pd            |
| 71594            | 4.93               | 0.0 Cr (Presence*) |
| 71595            | 4.90               | Nil Cb*            |
| 71596            | 4.90               | Nil Mo*            |
| 71597            | 4.91               | 1.49 Tl            |
| 71599            | 4.70               | Nil Ti*            |
| 71600            | 5.00               | Nil V*             |
| 71601            | 4.77               | N11 W*             |
| 71602            | 4.72               | Nil Ta*            |
| 71603            | 4.99               | 0.76 Ba            |
|                  |                    |                    |
| 71598**          |                    | 1.14 Th            |
| 720914           | 4.82               | Nil Th             |
| * Spectrographic | analyis; otherwise | chemical           |

<sup>\*\*</sup> Al inadvertently omltted

Table II

# MICROSTRUCTURE

# A) Mg-3Zn Alloys

| Alloy          | Add1- | Clean- | Cast | Cpd.Rating | Grain S | BizeX10 <sup>3</sup> in. |
|----------------|-------|--------|------|------------|---------|--------------------------|
| Number         | tion  | liness | AC   | SHT        | AC      | ASX                      |
| 71567          |       | 0      | 2.5  | •5         | 30      | 0.8                      |
| 71561          | MM    | 0      | 2    | •5         | 30      | 0.8                      |
| 7 <b>1</b> 562 | Hg    | 0      | 2    | , O        | 12      | 0.8                      |
| 71563          | Tl    | Ο .    | 3    | •5         | 20      | 1.0                      |
| 71564          | Pđ    | 0      | g    | క          | 10      | 0.6                      |
| 71565          | Li    | 3      | 3    | •5         | 15      | 0.6                      |
| 71566          | Th    | 0      | 6    | 4          | 40*     | 0.4                      |
| 71569          | Ср    | 0      | 2    | •5         | 20      | 0.8                      |
| 71570          | Mo    | 0      | 3    | 1          | 40      | 0.6                      |
| 71571          | Se    | 1      | 2.5  | •5         | 15      | 0.6                      |
| 71572          | Те    | 5      | 2    | 1          | 30      | 0.8                      |
| 71573          | Ba    | 1      | 6    | 6          | 20      | 0.4                      |
| 71574          | Ti    | 0      | 2.5  | O          | 30      | 0.8                      |
| 71575          | V     | 0      | 1.5  | •5         | 9       | 0.6                      |
| 71576          | W     | 1      | 2.5  | 1          | 10      | 0.8                      |
| 71577          | Ta    | 0      | 1.5  | 1          | క       | 0.8                      |
| <b>7165</b> 5  | Cr    | 0      | 2.5  | 1          | 50      | 0.6                      |

<sup>\*</sup> Partly columnar

Table II (cont.)

# B) Mg-5Al Alloys

| Alloy         | Addi- | Clean  | Cast Cp | i. Rating   | Grain S     | izeXlO <sup>3</sup> in. |
|---------------|-------|--------|---------|-------------|-------------|-------------------------|
| Number        | tion  | liness | AG      | SHT         | AC          | XSX                     |
| 71587         |       | 1      | 2       | 1           | 2           | 0.6                     |
| 71588         | MM    | 0      | 6       | 6           | Col.        | 0.4                     |
| 71589         | Hg    | 0      | 3       | 1           | 12          | 0.6                     |
| 71590         | Li    | 2      | 5       | 5           | 15          | 0.6                     |
| 71591         | Se    | 0      | 3.5     | 1           | <b>3</b> 0  | 0.6                     |
| <b>71</b> 592 | Tė    | 5      | 2.5     | 1           | 15          | 0.6                     |
| 71593         | Pã    | 0      | 5       | 5           | 4           | 0.4                     |
| 71594         | Cr    | 0      | 14      | 1           | 30*         | 0.4                     |
| 71595         | ď D   | 0      | 4       | 1           | 60*         | 0.6                     |
| 71596         | MO    | 1      | 3.5     | 1           | 40          | 0.6                     |
| <b>7</b> 1597 | Tl    | 0      | 3.5     | 1.          | <b>25</b> . | 0.6                     |
| 71599         | T1    | 1      | 3       | 1           | 50#         | 0.6                     |
| 71600         | Λ     | 1      | 2.5     | 0.5         | 60          | 0.6                     |
| 71601         | W     | O      | 2       | 1           | 35*         | 0.6                     |
| 71602         | Ta    | 0      | 4       | 1           | 2           | 0.8                     |
| 71603         | Ba    | 1      | 5       | 3           | 25          | 0.6                     |
|               |       |        |         |             |             |                         |
| 71598**       | Th    | 0      | 3.5     | <b>3.</b> 5 | Col.        | 0,4                     |

<sup>\*</sup> Partly columnar (col.)

<sup>\*\*</sup> Al inadvertently omitted---Mg-lTh binary

Table III

WORKABILITY AND FORMABILITY

# A) Mg-3Zn Alloys

| Alloy          | Adai- | Extrud-      | Hot Rolling. | Max.Cold* .    | Min.Bend*   |
|----------------|-------|--------------|--------------|----------------|-------------|
| No.            | tion  | ability(fpm) | Range(°F)    | Rollability(%) | Radius(t)   |
| 71567          |       | >30          | 700          | रोग्           | 3.5         |
| 71561          | MM    | n            | 650          | 52             | 3           |
| 71562          | Hg    | Ħ            | 650          | 52             | 3           |
| 71563          | Tl    | Ħ            | 650          | 50             | <b>3.</b> 5 |
| 71564          | Pđ    | n            | 450          | 48             | 5•5         |
| 71565          | L1    | π            | 700          | 52             | 4.5         |
| 71566          | Th    | 11 -         | 550          | 54             | 5.5         |
| 71569          | ûр    | 11           | 700          | 55             | <b>3.</b> 5 |
| 71570          | Мט    | n            | 700          | 50             | 3           |
| 71571          | Se    | н            | 700          | 52             | 3           |
| 71572          | Te    | n            | 700          | 50             | 3.5         |
| 71573          | Ba    | n            | 550          | 51             | 6           |
| 71574          | Ti    | Ħ            | 700          | 51             | <b>3.</b> 5 |
| 71575          | ٧     |              | 650          | 50             | 4           |
| 71576          | W     | *            | 650          | 50             | <b>3.</b> 5 |
| 71577          | Ta    | <b>11</b>    | 650          | 50             | 4           |
| <b>71.65</b> 5 | Cr    | Ħ            | 700          | 5 <b>2</b>     | 4           |

<sup>\*</sup> Rolled strip in soft temper

#### Table III (cont.)

# B) Mg-5Al Alloys

| Alloy<br>No. | Add1-<br>tion | Extrud-<br>ability(fpm) | Hot Rolling Range(F) | Max.Cold*<br>Rollability(%) | Min. Bend* Radius(t) |
|--------------|---------------|-------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| 71587        |               | >30                     | 600                  | 50                          | 4                    |
| 71588        | MM            | П                       | 600                  | 50                          | 4                    |
| 71589        | Hg            | <b>H</b>                | 700                  | 53                          | 3                    |
| 71590        | L1            | W                       | 550                  | 52                          | 5                    |
| 71.591       | Se            | 79                      | 650                  | 52                          | 3.5                  |
| 71592        | Te            | <b>H</b>                | 700                  | 52                          | 3.5                  |
| 71593        | Pđ            | п                       | 650                  | 52                          | 5                    |
| 71594        | Cr            | #                       | 700                  | 52                          | 4                    |
| 71595        | Cb            | #                       | 700                  | 58                          | 3                    |
| 71596        | Мо            | Ħ                       | 700                  | 53                          | 3.5                  |
| 71597        | Tl            | <b>H</b>                | 700                  | 52                          | 3                    |
| 71599        | Ti            | *                       | 700                  | 56                          | 3                    |
| 71600        | v             | H                       | 650                  | 55                          | 3.5                  |
| 71601        | W             | n                       | 700                  | 53                          | 3                    |
| 71602        | Ta            | n                       | 700                  | 53                          | 3                    |
| 71603        | Ba            | Ħ                       | 500                  | 4g                          | 6                    |
|              |               |                         |                      |                             |                      |
| 71598#1      | Th            | H                       | 150                  | >88                         | 3.5                  |

<sup>\*</sup> Rolled strip in soft temper

<sup>\*\*</sup> Al inadvertently omitted; Mg-lTh binary

Table IV
CORROSION RATE

# A) Mg-3Zn Alloys

| Alloy No.               | Addition  | Corrosion Rate(mcd*) |
|-------------------------|-----------|----------------------|
| 71567                   | <u></u> . | 0.42                 |
| 71 561                  | MM        | 0.43                 |
| 71562                   | нд        | 0.40                 |
| 71563                   | Tl        | 0.31                 |
| 71564                   | Pđ        | 100-200              |
| 71565                   | Li.       | 0.40                 |
| 71566                   | Th        | 5.19                 |
| 71569                   | σb        | 0.43                 |
| 71570                   | Мо        | 0.45                 |
| 71571                   | Se        | 0.44                 |
| 71572                   | Te        | 0.41                 |
| 71573                   | Ba        | 0.62                 |
| 71574                   | Ti        | 0.41                 |
| 7 <b>1</b> 5 <b>7</b> 5 | v         | 0.43                 |
| 71576                   | W         | 0.40                 |
| 71577                   | Ta        | 0.53                 |
| <b>7165</b> 5           | Cr        | 0.47                 |
|                         |           |                      |

<sup>\*</sup> Milligrams per square centimeter per day

#### Table IV (cont.)

# B) Mg-5Al Alloys

| Alloy No. | Addition   | Corrosion Rate(mcd*) |
|-----------|------------|----------------------|
| 71587     |            | 100-200              |
| 71588     | MM         | 30-50                |
| 71589     | Hg         | 70-100               |
| 71590     | Li         | 70-100               |
| 71591     | Se         | 59.9                 |
| 71593     | Pđ         | 100-200              |
| 71594     | Cr         | <b>3</b> 0–50        |
| 71595     | СЪ         | 100                  |
| 71596     | Мо         | 70–100               |
| 71597     | Tl         | 100-200              |
| 71 599    | Ti         | 55•9                 |
| 71600     | <b>V</b>   | 61.6                 |
| 71601     | W          | 100-200              |
| 71602     | Ta         | 70-100               |
| 71603     | B <u>a</u> | 100-200              |
|           |            |                      |
| 71598**   | Th         | 0.32                 |

<sup>\*</sup> Milligrams per square centimeter per day

<sup>\*\*</sup> Al inadvertently omitted; Mg-lTh binary

Table V

OVERALL EFFECT OF ADDITIONS ON MECHANICAL PROPERTIES

A) Mg-3Zn Alloys

|                 |               | Av   |               | pertie | 8    |      |             | Effect       |      |
|-----------------|---------------|------|---------------|--------|------|------|-------------|--------------|------|
| Alloy<br>Number | Addi-<br>tion | %E   | 1,00<br>TYS   | O psi  | TS   | %E   | 1,00<br>TYS | O psi<br>CYS | TS   |
| 71567           |               | 15.3 | 23.1          | 13.7   | 35.0 |      |             |              |      |
| 71561           | MM            | 15.4 | 22.6          | 13.6   | 35.3 | +0.1 | -0.5        | -0.1         | +0.3 |
| 71562           | Hg            | 16.5 | 23.7          | 15.1   | 36.2 | +1.3 | +0.6        | +1.4         | +1.2 |
| 71563           | Tl            | 14.1 | 23.7          | 13.9   | 35.6 | -1.2 | +0.6        | +0.2         | +0.6 |
| 71564           | Pđ            | 14.1 | 25.1          | 17.2   | 35.2 | -1.2 | +2.0        | +3.5         | +1.2 |
| 71565           | Li            | 13.9 | 24.0          | 16.6   | 34.4 | -1.4 | +0.9        | +2.9         | -0.6 |
| 71566           | Th            | 14.2 | 30.4          | 21.9   | 39.1 | -1.1 | +7.3        | +8.2         | +4.1 |
| 71568           | Cr            | 15.0 | 24.1          | 14.8   | 36.0 | -0.3 | +1.0        | +1.1         | +1.0 |
| 71569           | СЪ            | 15.2 | 22.7          | 13.5   | 35.4 | -0.1 | -0.4        | -0.2         | +0.4 |
| 71570           | Mo            | 15.4 | 2 <b>2.</b> 8 | 13.9   | 35.8 | +0.1 | -0.3        | +0.2         | +0.8 |
| 71571           | Se            | 15.0 | 22.5          | 13.6   | 35.2 | -0.3 | -0.6        | -0.1         | +0.2 |
| 71572           | Te            | 15.0 | 23.6          | 14.3   | 35.9 | -0.3 | +0.5        | +0.6         | +0.9 |
| 71573           | Ва            | 15.6 | 25.9          | 17.3   | 37.1 | +0.3 | +2.8        | +3.6         | +2.1 |
| 71574           | Ti            | 15.1 | 22.3          | 13.2   | 34.9 | -0.2 | -0.8        | -0.5         | -0.1 |
| <b>71</b> 575   | V             | 15.1 | 23.1          | 13.8   | 35.6 | -0.2 | 0.0         | +0.1         | +0.6 |
| 71576           | W             | 15.1 | 22.8          | 13.4   | 35.1 | -0.2 | -0.3        | -0.3         | +0.1 |
| 71577           | Ţa            | 15.0 | 23.3          | 13.9   | 35.7 | -0.3 | +0.2        | +0.2         | +0.7 |

Table V (cont.)

# B) Mg-5Al Alloys

|                 |               | Av   | Avg. Properties Avg. B |            |      |      |              |              | Effect    |  |  |  |
|-----------------|---------------|------|------------------------|------------|------|------|--------------|--------------|-----------|--|--|--|
| Alloy<br>Number | Addi-<br>tion | %E   | 1,000<br>TYS           | psi<br>CYS | TS   | %E   | 1,000<br>TYS | psi<br>CYS   | TS        |  |  |  |
| 71587           |               | 15.6 | 25.5                   | 17.4       | 39.4 |      |              |              | -,-       |  |  |  |
| 71588           | мм            | 15.4 | 25.9                   | 18.1       | 39.3 | -0.2 | +0.4         | +0.7         | -0.1      |  |  |  |
| 71589           | Hg            | 15.8 | 24.9                   | 17.9       | ήO•0 | +0.2 | -0.6         | +0.4         | +0.6      |  |  |  |
| 71590           | Li            | 13.5 | 27.3                   | 19.1       | 39.8 | -2.1 | +1.8         | +1.7         | +0.4      |  |  |  |
| 71591           | Se            | 16.0 | 24.5                   | 17.6       | 39-3 | +0.4 | -1.0         | +0.2         | -0.1      |  |  |  |
| 71592           | Тe            | 15.4 | 25.0                   | 17.7       | 39.4 | -0.2 | -0.5         | +0.3         | 0.0       |  |  |  |
| 71593           | Pđ            | 13.8 | 26.2                   | 18.5       | 38.8 | -1.8 | +0.7         | <b>÷1.</b> 1 | -0.6      |  |  |  |
| 71594           | Cr            | 14.9 | 26.0                   | 18.1       | 39.6 | -0.7 | +0.5         | +0.7         | +0.2      |  |  |  |
| 71595           | Ср            | 15.8 | 24.5                   | 17.1       | 39.0 | +0.2 | -1.0         | -0.3         | -0.4      |  |  |  |
| 71596           | Mo            | 15.5 | 25.2                   | 17.4       | 39.4 | -0.1 | -0.3         | 0.0          | 0.0       |  |  |  |
| 71597           | Tl            | 15.4 | <b>25.</b> 0           | 17.8       | 39.9 | -0.2 | -0.5         | +0.4         | +0.5      |  |  |  |
| 71599           | Ti            | 15.7 | 25.0                   | 17.4       | 39.2 | +0.1 | -0.5         | 0.0          | -0.2      |  |  |  |
| 71600           | V             | 15.9 | 25.2                   | 17.6       | 39.9 | ÷0.3 | -0.3         | +0.2         | ÷0.5      |  |  |  |
| 71701           | W             | 15.5 | 24.9                   | 17.1       | 39.4 | -0.1 | -0.6         | -0.3         | 0.0       |  |  |  |
| 71602           | Ta            | 15.9 | 24.9                   | 16.8       | 39.3 | +0.3 | -0.6         | -0.6         | -0.1      |  |  |  |
| 71603           | Ba            | 12.9 | 27.2                   | 19.6       | 39.8 | -2.7 | +1.7         | +2.2         | +0.4      |  |  |  |
|                 |               |      |                        |            |      |      |              |              |           |  |  |  |
| 71598*          | Th            | 14.4 | 22.4                   | 17.9       | 32.8 |      |              |              | <b></b> - |  |  |  |

<sup>\*</sup> AF inadvertently omitted; Mg-1Th binary

Table VI

TYPICAL PROPERTIES\* - EXTRUSIONS

### A) Mg-32n Alloys

|              | P###        |    |            |       |          |       |     |            | <u>T5****</u>         |    |       |  |  |  |
|--------------|-------------|----|------------|-------|----------|-------|-----|------------|-----------------------|----|-------|--|--|--|
| Alloy<br>No. | Composition | %E | 1,0<br>TYS | 000 p | 81<br>TS | NBE** | %E  | 1,0<br>TYS | 000 p:<br>CY <b>S</b> | TS | NBE## |  |  |  |
| 71567        | Mg-3Zn      | 20 | 18         | 10    | 33       | 28    | 17  | 22         | 12                    | 35 | 25    |  |  |  |
| 71566        | Mg-3Zn-1Th  | 12 | 30         | 20    | 39       | 22    | 14  | 31         | 20                    | 40 | 23    |  |  |  |
| 71573        | Mg-3Zn-1Ba  | 18 | 23         | 15    | 37       | 21    | 17  | 25         | 16                    | 37 | 27    |  |  |  |
| 71564        | Mg-3Zn-1Pd  | 15 | 23         | 16    | 36       | 20    | 14  | 22         | 15                    | 36 | 19    |  |  |  |
| 71565        | Mg-3Zn-1Li  | 20 | 19         | 15    | 33       | 28    | 17  | 24         | 17                    | 34 |       |  |  |  |
| 71562        | Mg-3Zn-1Hg  | 22 | 18         | 11    | 35       | 27    | 1.9 | 22         | 14                    | 36 | 28    |  |  |  |
| 71568        | Mg-3Zn0Cr   | 20 | 19         | 11    | 34       | 28    | 17  | 22         | 13                    | 36 | 26    |  |  |  |

B) Mg-5Al Alloys

|              |             |     | T5 | _*** |            |       |    |     |              |          |       |
|--------------|-------------|-----|----|------|------------|-------|----|-----|--------------|----------|-------|
| Alloy<br>No. | Composition | %E  |    | CYS  | si<br>TS   | NBE** | %E | TYS | 000 p<br>CYS | Bi<br>TS | NBE** |
| 71587        | Mg-5Al      | 17. | 22 | 13   | 38         | 22    | 19 | 21  | 14           | 38       | 18    |
| 71603        | Mg-5A1-1Ba  | 16  | 23 | 16   | 39         | 13    | 15 | 23  | 16           | 39       | 14    |
| 71590        | Mg-5Al-1Li  | 16  | 23 | 15   | <b>3</b> 9 | 17    | 15 | 23  | 16           | 39       | 12    |
| 71593        | Mg-5A1-1Pd  | 17  | 21 | 14   | 36         | 19    | 18 | 21  | 15           | 37       | 16    |

<sup>\*</sup> Properties of alloys not included are equivalent to those of the base alloy.

\*\*\*\* Aged

<sup>\*\*</sup> Notch bend energy (toughness) in inch-pounds.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> As-extruded

Table VII

TYPICAL PROPERTIES\* - ROLLED STRIP

A) Mg-32n Alloys

|   |          |             |    | Я          | 5,4** |          | O###       |     |       |            |  |  |
|---|----------|-------------|----|------------|-------|----------|------------|-----|-------|------------|--|--|
|   |          |             |    | 1,0        | 00 ps | <u>i</u> |            | 1,0 | 00 pe | 1.         |  |  |
| A | lloy No. | Composition | %E | TYS        | CYS   | TS       | %E         | TYS | CYS   | TS         |  |  |
|   | 71567    | Mg-3Zn      | 13 | 24         | 18    | 33       | <b>2</b> 0 | 13  | 6     | <b>3</b> 0 |  |  |
|   | 71566    | Mg-3Zn-1Th  | 16 | 32         | 5,1   | 39       | 23         | 22  | 16    | 34         |  |  |
|   | 71573    | Mg-3Zn-1Ba  | 18 | 28         | 21    | 37       | 21         | 18  | 12    | 33         |  |  |
|   | 71564    | Mg-3Zn-1Pd  | 13 | 28         | 20    | 37       | 20         | 19  | 12    | 33         |  |  |
|   | 71565    | Mg-3Zn-1L1  | 13 | 24         | 20    | 34       | 23         | 16  | 8     | 31         |  |  |
|   | 71562    | Mg-3Zn-Hg   | 14 | <b>2</b> 6 | 20    | 37       | 32         | 16  | 9     | 33         |  |  |
|   | 71655    | Mg-3ZnOCr   | 13 | 26         | 20    | 37       | 22         | 16  | 9     | <b>3</b> 2 |  |  |

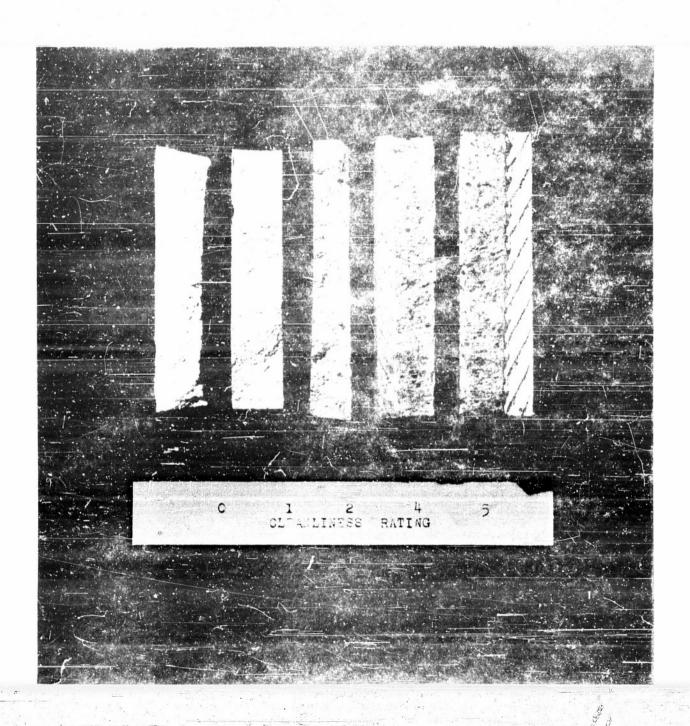
# B) Mg-5Al Alloys

|           |             | Н2 | 4** |       | 0*** |    |            |     |    |  |
|-----------|-------------|----|-----|-------|------|----|------------|-----|----|--|
|           |             |    | 1,0 | 00 рв | 1    |    | 1,000 psi  |     |    |  |
| Alloy No. | Composition | %E | TYS | CYS   | TS   | %E | TYS        | CYS | TS |  |
| 71587     | Mg-5Al      | 18 | 28  | 24    | 42   | 21 | 23         | 15  | 38 |  |
| 71603     | Mg-5A1-18a  | 9  | 30  | 24    | 39   | 15 | 25         | 17  | 38 |  |
| 71590     | Mg-5Al-1L1  | 9  | 29  | 26    | 41   | 22 | 2 <b>2</b> | 15  | 37 |  |
| 71593     | Mg-5Al-1Pd  | 16 | 29  | 23    | 41   | 18 | 22         | 15  | 37 |  |

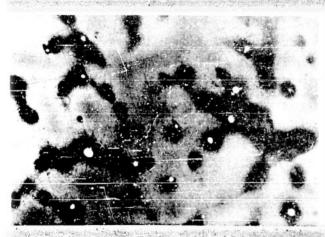
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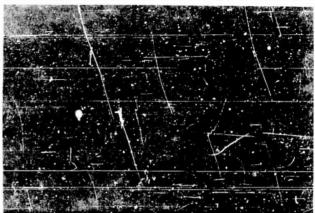
<sup>\*\*</sup> Cold rolled plus hard anneal

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Cold rolled plus soft anneal



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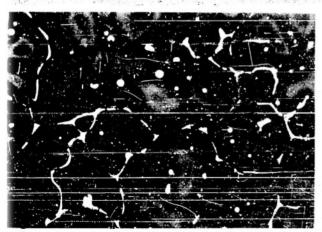




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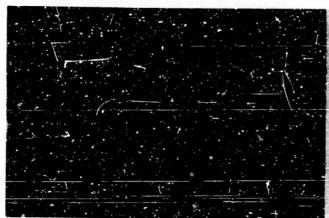
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100X Neg. 31387
Alloy No. 715674
Etchant = Phospho Piera Etchunt = Phospho Pieral



Neg. 31372 100X Neg. 31373 100X Neg. 31373 100X Neg. 31373 Fitchant Facspho Ficral Etchant = Phospho Picral

# 2 (Cont'à) CAST MICROSTRUCTURE OF THE Mg-3Zn ALLOYS



Neg. 31388

Alloy No. 71566

Etchant - Phospho Picral

100X

100X

100X Neg. 31389

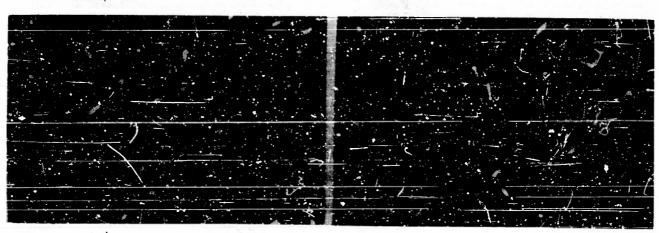
Alloy No. 71566

Etchant - Phospho Pieral

c.) Mg-3Zn - 1Th

AC

SHT



Neg. 31384

Alloy No. 71573

Etchant: Phospho Picral

100X Neg. 31414

Alloy No. 71573

Etchant: Phospho Picral

d.) Mg-3Zn - 1Ba

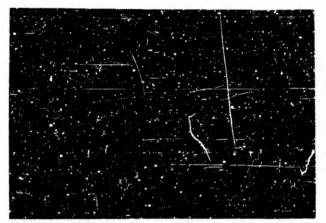
AC

SHT

WADC TR 54-33 Pt 2

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#### FIGURE 3 CAST MICROSTRUCTURE OF Mg-5Al ALLOYS



Neg. 31390

LCOX

Neg. 31391

100X

Alloy No. 71587

Etchant: Phospho Picral

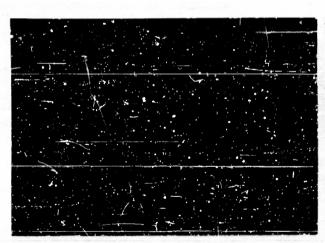
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Etchant: Phospho Pieral

a.) Mg-5Al Base

AC

SHT



Neg. 31396

100% Neg. 31397

100X

Alloy No. 71593

Etchant: Phospho Picral

Alloy No. 71593

Etchant: Phospho Picral

b.) Mg-5A1 - 1Pd

AC

SHT

WADC TR 54-83 Pt 2

22

# FIGURE 3 (Cont'd) CAST MICROSTRUCTURE OF Mg-5A1 ALLOYS





Neg. 31398

100X Neg. 31399

100X

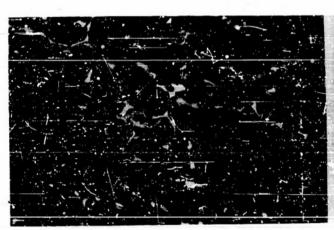
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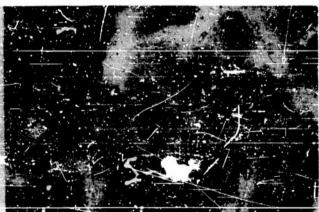
Etchant: Phospho Picral

Alloy No. 71598

Etchant: Phospho Ficral

c.) Mg-lTh (no Al)





Neg. 31416

100X

Alloy No. 71603

100X Neg. 31393 Alloy No. 71603

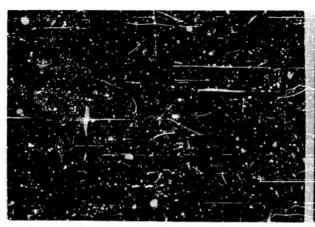
Etchant: Phospho Picral Etchant: Phospho Picral

d.) Mg-5Al - lBa

щÇ

SHT

#### FIGURE 3 (Contid) CAST MICROSTRUCTURE OF MG-5Al ALLOYS



Neg. 31400

Alloy No. 71525

Etchant: Phospho Picral

100%

Neg. 31401 100X

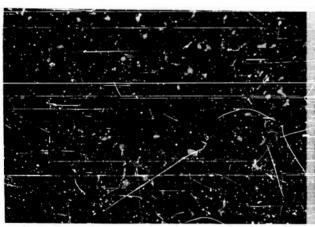
Alloy No. 71538

Etchant: Phospho Picral

e.) Mg-5Al - 1MM

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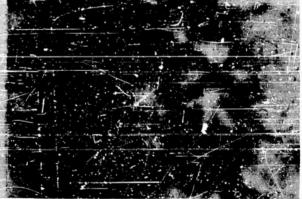
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Neg. 31394

Alley No. 71590

Etchant: Phospho Picral Etchant: Phospho Picral



100X

100X Neg. 33657

Alloy No. 71590

f.) Mg-5Al - 1L1

A.C

SHT

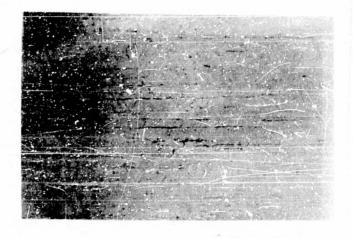
WADC TR 54-83 Pt 2

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FIGURE 4
Microstructure of Extruded Mg-3Zn Alloys



Neg. No. 33658 250x Etchant: Phospho Picral Alloy No. 71567 a.) Mg-32n



Neg. No. 33659 250x Etchant: Phospho Picral Alloy No. 71566 b.) Mg-3Zn-1Th

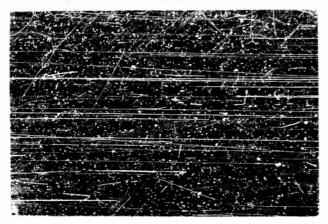


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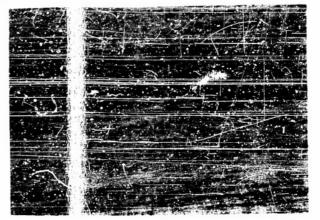


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FIGURE 5
Microstructure of Extruded Mg-5Al Alloys



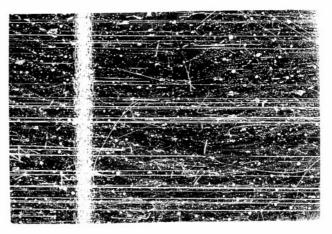
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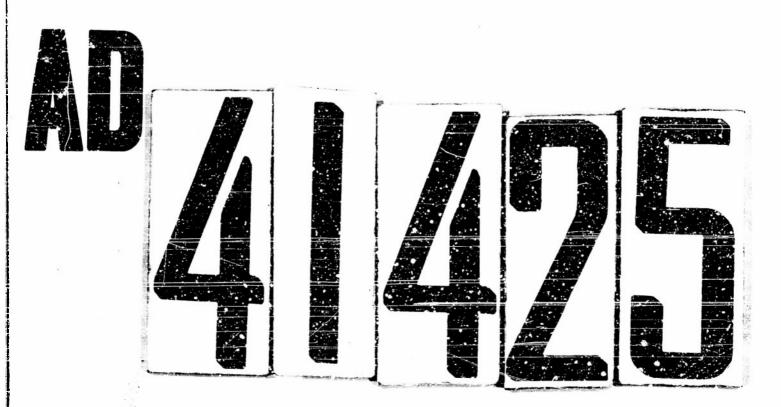
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Neg. No. 33666 250x Etchant: Phospho Pieral Alloy No. 71603 d) Mg-5Al-1Ba

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